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FARM COLLECTIVIZATION DEVELOPS IN SERBIA

State farms now control 4.4 percent and cooperative farms 14.28 percent of the total arable land in Serbia. In the Vojvolina, they control 15.75 percent and 27.25 percent, respectively, which means that 44.4 percent of the total arable area of themset important grain producing area of Yugoslavia belongs to the socialistic sector.

The principal tasks of state farms, as set forth in the Five-Year Plan, is the production of quality seed, seedlings, and breading stock. In 1948 they produced 165,000 tons of quality seed grain, 15,812 tons of seed of industrial plants, 3,744 tons of folder plant seed, 1,453 tons of vegetable seed, and 3,642,000 young grape vines. This year seed plots totaling 24,632 hectares have been set out.

By the end of the Five-Year Plan, Serbian state forms are scheduled to have 7,000 horses, 17,000 count 126,000 sheep, and 133,000 hogs. By the end of 1948 they had 6,918 horses, 17,081 cous, 52,605 sheep, and 143,055 hogs. In 1948, Serbian state forms produced 67,265 hectoliters of milk and 105,151 metric contners of wool. In 1946, 44,000 hogs were fattened, as compared with 4,000 in 1947, and the 1949 plan calls for fattening 139,000 hogs.

As of 30 June 1949, farm labor cooperatives have received 496,200,000 dinars of short-term and 1,830,055,000 dinars of long-term credits from the government this year, as compared with 336,950,000 and 806,611,000 dinars respectively in 1948 and 158,459,000 and 46 million dinars in 1947.

Serbian farm later cooperatives om 562 tractors, over 47,000 plows, over 11,000 seeders, over 5,000 reapers, and 142,000 other machines and tools. As of 1 June 1949 they had over 60,000 horses, over 35,000 cattle, 82,869 hogs, and 92,676 sheep.

Peter Tomssevic, a mamber of the farm labor cooperative "Sutjeska" in Vrbas, and three members of his family worked 755 working days in 1948. For this he received 5,352 kilograms of wheat, 4,530 kilograms of corn, 211 kilograms of berley, 785 kilograms of potatoes, 105 kilograms of beaus, 75 kilograms of onions, 5 kilograms of wool, 267 kilograms of sugar, 17 liters of rakija (brandy), 106 liters of wine, 158 kilograms of cabbage, 5,265 kilograms of cornstalks, 2,265 kilograms of straw, and 530 kilograms of noodles. He also received 36,640 dinars in \$846 and 48,000 dinars in certificates.

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The average yield of grain in Serbia has risen from 12.1 metric centners of wheat and 17.1 metric centners of corn per hectere in 1939 to 13.1 and 18.26 metric centners respectively in 1948, and 13.8 metric centners of wheat in 1949. On state farms the yields were still better: 12.4 metric centners of wheat per hectare in 1947 and 17.1 metric centners in 1948. In 1948 the average yield was 2 metric centners greater than in 1947 for corn, 7 metric centners greater for harley, 8 metric centners greater for rye, and 2.6 metric centners greater for cats. In 1948, come gave 410 liters more milk on the average than in 1947.

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